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**"ATTENUATED STRAINS OF *VIBRIO CHOLERAE* WITH IMPROVED BIOLOGICAL SAFETY FEATURES IN FREEZE DRIED FORM FOR ORAL VACCINATION"**  
Our Ref.: 4082.003  
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Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National Stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ this express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
- ☐ an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ a Spanish Language International Application with European Search Report
- ☒ an English (translation of the) International Application.
- ☐ an English (translation of) Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER) and French language IPER.
- ☐ an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.

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☒ Preliminary Amendment.  
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**The present application claims the benefit of the priority of Cuban Application No. 2003-0062 - filed March 20, 2003.**

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